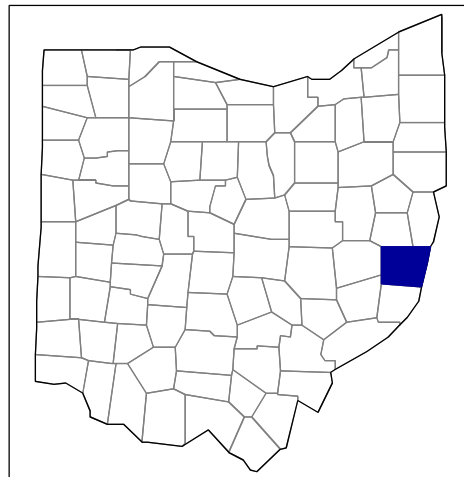




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Number of farms

753 farms in 2002, 740 farms in 1997, up 2 percent.

Land in farms

141,908 acres in 2002, 161,749 acres in 1997, down 12 percent.

Average size of farm

188 acres in 2002, 219 acres in 1997, down 14 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$14,776,000 in 2002, \$12,438,000 in 1997, up 19 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,383,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,393,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

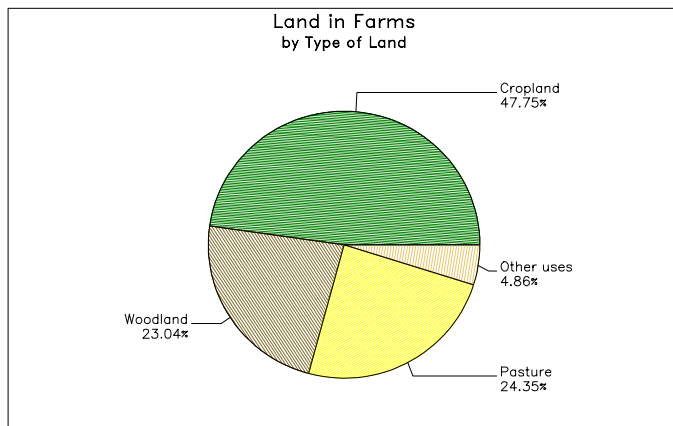
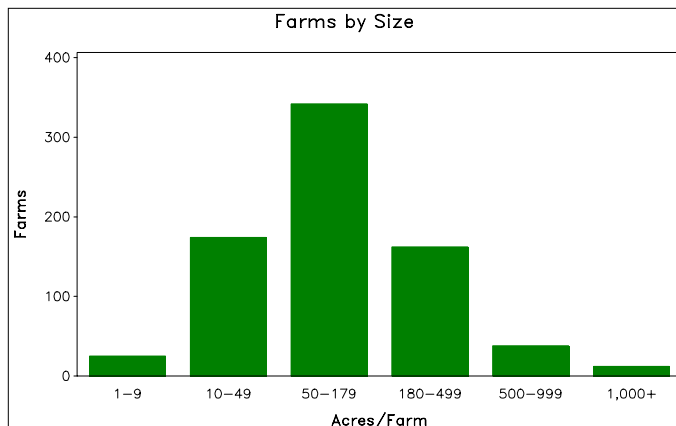
\$19,622 in 2002, \$16,809 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments

\$531,000 in 2002, \$262,000 in 1997, up 103 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,818 in 2002, \$2,788 in 1997, up 37 percent.



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Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	14,776	74	88	2,276	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,383	77	88	2,150	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,393	50	88	1,848	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	127	84	88	2,323	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	24	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	286	60	88	1,208	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	241	36	88	811	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,016	51	87	1,085	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	837	1	81	61	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,875	14	88	697	3,046
Poultry and eggs	15	66	88	1,809	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,489	27	88	1,448	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	4,700	28	87	650	2,493
Hogs and pigs	15	85	88	2,163	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	70	47	88	1,030	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	96	73	88	1,802	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	39	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	8	77	88	1,928	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	22,606	12	88	1,330	3,059
Sheep and lambs	1,191	50	88	857	2,867
Horses and ponies	1,156	47	88	1,078	3,065
All Goats	1,155	3	88	397	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,152	62	88	1,278	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	34,520	4	88	602	3,059
Cut Christmas trees	1,316	2	84	57	1,877
Corn for silage	919	59	87	1,142	2,307
Corn for grain	524	86	88	1,963	2,592
Oats	281	39	83	1,124	2,215

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	233	Farming	399
\$1,000 to \$2,499	139	Other	354
\$2,500 to \$4,999	81		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	98	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	82	Male	667
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Female	86
\$25,000 to \$39,999	31		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	23		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	29	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	13	White	1,081
\$500,000 or more	1	Black or African American	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	13,819	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
Average per farm (\$)	18,450	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,318	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	4,430	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	8

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.